## House Resolution No. 1344

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State high school competitive programs that admirably help students obtain the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future societal leaders; and

Whereas, Belton High School in the Belton School District sponsors a Pirates Dance Team that earned its third consecutive State Championship on February 24, 2007, at competitive events that were held in Saint Louis; and

Whereas, outperforming thirteen other 4A teams at Francis Howell High School, the Belton Pirates Dance Team is composed of Amanda Willard, Allie Ladd, Rosie Morgan, Alex Girgin, Caroline Lynch, Carolyn Kelch, Amanda Krause, Jennifer Jensen, Jessica Curry, Silvia Schmidt, Jamie Wellington, and Leanna Canfield; and

**Whereas**, the 2006-2007 Belton Dance Team was trained and guided by coaches Tammy Corbin and Bri Postlewait; and

Whereas, the Belton Dance Team earned First Place in their mix routine, First Place in novelty, and Second Place in the dance/jazz division to take First Place overall; and

Whereas, the Belton High School dancers also won the Sweepstakes Award since all of their routines earned above a Superior rating; and

Whereas, the Missouri State Dance Championships are organized and conducted by the Missouri Dance Team Association, which is composed of dance/pom-pon coaches who believe that the school environment is improved with the presence of an effective and purposeful dance/pom-pon program that can foster school pride and sportsmanship through its efforts and behaviors:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with the Belton High School dance program and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations for taking First Place at the 2007 State Championships; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the 2006-2007 Belton High School Dance Team.

Offered by

Representative Brian Baker District No. 123

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1344, adopted March 15, 2007.